

Bellwork: 5/1/13

Simplify each expression:

1) $\frac{\sqrt[3]{144x^{12}y^7z^3}}{\sqrt[3]{3x^5yz^3}}$

Handwritten work for problem 1:

$$\sqrt[3]{48x^7y^6}$$
$$2x^2y^2\sqrt[3]{6x}$$

Prime factorization of 48: $48 = 2^4 \cdot 3$

2) $(4 - 2\sqrt{3})(3 + 5\sqrt{3})$

Handwritten work for problem 2:

$$12 + 20\sqrt{3} - 6\sqrt{3} - 10\sqrt{9}$$

-30

$$-18 + 14\sqrt{3}$$

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Obj: To divide radical expressions with conjugates

Dividing Radicals:

*** You should never have a radical in the denominator!***

Step 1: multiply the denominator by either the root that appears or by conjugate

Step 2: whatever you do to bottom, do to top.

Step 3: simplify if possible.

1.) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{9}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$

2.) $\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{36}}$
 $= \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{6} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} \text{ or } \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$

$$3.) \frac{2}{(1+\sqrt{3})(1-\sqrt{3})} = \frac{2(1-\sqrt{3})}{-2}$$

Bottom: $= -1(1-\sqrt{3})$

$$(1+\sqrt{3})(1-\sqrt{3})$$

$$1 - \cancel{\sqrt{3}}\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{9} = \boxed{-1+\sqrt{3}}$$

$$1 - 3 = -2$$

You try:

$$5.) \frac{3}{\sqrt{7}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{3\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{49}} = \boxed{\frac{3\sqrt{7}}{7}}$$

$$4.) \frac{4}{(3-\sqrt{7})(3+\sqrt{7})} = \frac{4(3+\sqrt{7})}{2}$$

Bottom: $\frac{2(3+\sqrt{7})}{(3-\sqrt{7})(3+\sqrt{7})}$

$$\frac{6+2\sqrt{7}}{9 - \cancel{3\sqrt{7}}\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{49}}$$

$$9 + \cancel{3\sqrt{7}}\sqrt{7} - \sqrt{49}$$

$$9 - 7 = 2$$

$$6.) \frac{3}{(2-3\sqrt{2})(2+3\sqrt{2})} = \frac{3(2+3\sqrt{2})}{-14}$$

Bottom:

$$(2-3\sqrt{2})(2+3\sqrt{2})$$

$$4 + \cancel{6\sqrt{2}}\sqrt{2} - 9\sqrt{4}$$

$$4 - 18 = -14$$

